

THE STAR IS THE ONLY NEWSPAPER IN MARION COUNTY TAKING TELEGRAPH SERVICE

BRITISH AND FRENCH  
STEADILY DRIVEN BACKBulgarians and Teutons Proving too Many for  
Allies in the BalkansGREEK GOVERNMENT FINDS ITS FEET ON UNCERTAIN GROUND--TEUTONS CONTINUE TO  
DISCUSS PEACE TERMS

(Associated Press)

London, Dec. 14.—Not only have the Anglo-French armies been driven out of Serbia, as the Germans reported yesterday, but previously their front was broken through and the French forces cut off from the British, according to an official Sofia statement. A Bulgarian report says the retreating troops suffered heavy losses. At one point a French battalion was routed and the commander captured.

The Germans have made protests to the Greek government against further concessions to the Allies in Greece, Athens advices say. Germany is reported to have already inquired whether Greek neutrality was compromised by the facilities accorded the Allies.

## PEACE TALK IN GERMAN PARLIAMENT

The peace discussion is to be continued in the Reichstag, according to a Leipzig newspaper, which says that thirty-four socialists have signed a declaration expressing dissatisfaction with the recent discussion.

## REASONS ARE PLENTIFUL

The reasons for the Allies' military failure in the Balkans is given by a correspondent with the Allies as follows:

The expedition started too late. The force at the immediate disposal of the Allies was inadequate for the task allotted, while the topographical conditions virtually necessitate the creation of a new means of transportation for supplies. The failure of Greece to respond to the expectations of the Allies. The fact that the Serbians retreated westward into Montenegro instead of southward toward Saloniki, where they could have united with the Allies.

## SUCCESSFUL RETREAT TO SALONIKI

The British and French troops have successfully carried out their retreat from Serbia, and by an arrangement with the Greek government they have a clear road left for them to fall back on Saloniki.

The German official report claims that approximately two English divisions were annihilated during the retreat but this is considered here to be an exaggeration. Athens and Saloniki accounts say the retreat was carried out in an orderly manner without heavy losses. By the destruction of the railway bridges and roads and stubborn rear guard actions the Bulgarians were kept at a fairly safe distance. In one rear guard action two companies of the Inniskillen regiment sacrificed themselves to save their comrades.

The question now arises as to whether the Bulgarians and Teutons intend to follow the British and French into Greece and what action the Greek government would take should they do so. The impression gained from Athens dispatches is that neither the Bulgarians nor Turks, who are also reported near the frontier, will be welcome in Greece, therefore it has been decided that following the entente forces will be undertaken by the Teutons.

However, with the railway destroyed it may be some days before Greece is called upon to act and by that time the entente forces will be safe in Saloniki, under the guns of their fleet. The Serbian armies are resisting the Austrians and Bulgarians in Albania, while the Austrians are making very slow progress against the Montenegrins.

We have a full line of Kodaks and Brownies suitable for Christmas gifts. Gerig's.

A few selections of Schraft's fine candies put up specially for Christmas, just in at The Court Pharmacy.

## OLD MAN MURDERED

PROOF OF A TERRIBLE CRIME  
UNEARTHED IN GAINESVILLE THIS MORNING

A dastardly murder, perpetrated several days ago in Gainesville, came to light in that city this morning.

The Ocala people who visited the Gainesville fair several weeks ago will recall the old white man by the name of Avery, who had a conspicuously long beard and drove his own harness horses, he having two fine animals on that track.

Mr. Avery had a negro hostler to care for the horses but he did not drive them. Avery owed a small bill in Gainesville which he was unable to pay and, we understand, was debarred from moving his horses to another track till this was paid, hence he was disappointed in coming to the Ocala races.

He was preparing to go to Washington, D. C., and ship his stock there, having paid off the claim. The horses were shipped and upon their arrival in Washington the negro, calling himself Avery, tried to sell them for the freight and a little more. The authorities were suspicious over the low price and wired the police of Gainesville for the description of Avery. The description was forwarded to Washington when, it is presumed, the police there immediately arrested the negro and the Gainesville authorities then wired them to hold both horses and negro.

Investigation then was commenced and this morning at the stalls at the race track, where the old man and negro kept the horses and kept back, fresh earth was found disturbed in a stall. The place was opened and the body of Avery found in the hole, wrapped in two horse blankets.

The dastardly murder and attempt to dispose of the horses has aroused the people of that section to a very high degree of indignation.

A telegram from Washington this morning states that the negro, whose name is Will Turner, after being told that the body had been found, made a full confession to the Washington police.

There is considerable feeling in Gainesville against the criminal and it is expected that his trial and execution will be carried out as speedily as possible after his return to that city.

## ASSOCIATED PRESS ACCOUNT

Washington, Dec. 14.—Willie Turner, a negro, confessed to the murder of C. F. Avery, a race horse owner, at Gainesville, Fla., the week before Thanksgiving, according to the local police. Turner was arrested when trying to dispose of two valuable horses for a small sum. The Gainesville authorities were informed and the local police found Avery's body in a stall at the race track where the horses had been stabled.

## DRESSED DOLL SALE

—at—

## GERIG'S DRUG STORE

Saturday, Dec. 18, 10 A. M. to 5 P. M.

## DOLLS IN ALL STYLES

Candy and Fancy Work Also on Sale

—by the—

Embroidery Circle of the Presbyterian Church

## DR. FULLER'S OFFICES MOVED

The Fuller dental offices have been moved to the second floor of the Union block, over Nash's store.

9-6t R. D. Fuller, D. D. S.

## ON THE WARPATH

YAGUI INDIANS COMMITTING  
OUTRAGES ON AMERICANS  
IN MEXICO

(Associated Press)

Topolobampo, Mex., Dec. 14.—Stories that Yaqui Indians looted property of Americans, destroying what they could not carry away and murdered a number of Mexicans, after stealing their clothes and committed other wanton depredations while Mexican troops remained inactive, are being brought here.

## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

The damage case of Edward H. Weatherbee vs. Baxter Carn, a suit for damages for alleged assault and battery, is being heard today in the circuit court. Messrs. Mershon and Bullock are representing the plaintiff, while Mr. William Guber represents the defense. The jury in the case is composed of Messrs. P. H. Perkins, E. W. Clemmens, L. B. Marsh, J. M. Gates Jr., C. C. Priest Jr. and R. G. Allop.

At noon the case had barely been commenced and it is thought that other cases which had been set for today will have to go over until tomorrow.

## GO TO SEE THE GAME

Local pride demands that Ocala people turn out in numbers next Saturday, and see the basketball game between the Wildcats and the Gainesville team. Its going to be a live game and the bigger the crowd the better the home girls will play.

## NOTICE TO EASTERN STAR

There will be a special meeting Tuesday night, Dec. 14th, of Ocala chapter No. 29, O. E. S., for initiation.

Fresh seeds of all kinds at the Ocala Seed Store.

TRAIN CONNECTIONS AND  
WIRES ARE TANGLEDSTATES TO THE NORTH ARE SHIVERING UNDER THE  
WINTER STORM

(Associated Press)

New York, Dec. 14.—The center of one of the worst snow storms this section has experienced in years passed northeast of New York today, leaving in its wake a tangled mass of telegraph poles and wires and many stalled trains. Wire communication is seriously interrupted. The cable the interruption of land wires between this city and Nova Scotia.

TELEGRAPH WIRES AND TRAINS  
IN A TANGLE

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Heavy snow fell throughout New England yesterday and last night. Telegraph and telephone connections with New York, Boston and other New England points are interrupted. Telegrams from New York and Boston are being sent out by messengers hourly. Railroad companies are suffering because of facilities are also badly crippled.

## FATAL FIRE

LIVES LOST AND MANY INJURED IN A CHICAGO ROOMING  
HOUSE

(Associated Press)

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Three were burned to death and a score hurt when fire destroyed a three-story rooming house here this morning. Many were injured in jumping when trapped by the flames.

ANOTHER RESIDENT  
FOR EASTLAKE

Mr. Howard Lee of New York state, is a new resident of Eastlake and has charge of the Eastlake Cash Store, owned by Messrs. Klock & Lee. Mr. Howard Lee is a brother of Mr. Walter Lee, who with his partner has more than \$75,000 invested in that thrifty and growing section.

It was reported here today that a brother of Mr. Charles Shaw of Zuber was killed last night at Dade City. On inquiring of Dade City, the Star was informed that a man of that name died Sunday night, but his death was due to natural causes.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Adcock and children and Mr. Adcock's sister, who is making her home with them, are coming up Sunday from St. Petersburg in their car to spend Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. F. E. McClane and Mrs. T. J. Killebrew.

## CITIES ARE STRIVING

TO BE THE MEETING PLACE OF  
THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN  
CONVENTION

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 14.—The republican national committee will meet today to select the convention city. St. Louis, Chicago, San Francisco and Philadelphia are after it. Many members of the committee are in favor of holding the republican convention before the democratic convention, which will meet in St. Louis June 14.

## CITY WILL NEXT BE SELECTED

The sub-committee recommended June 7th as the date for the convention but did not mention its preference for the city.

The committee voted to hold the convention on June 7th, and began the work of selecting the city.

ANOTHER BUNCH OF  
PLOTTERS ROUNDED UPAll are Attaches of or Connected with  
the German Embassy

Washington, Dec. 14.—Baron Geo. Wilhelm von Bricken, an attaché at the German consulate here, C. C. Crowley, a detective employed by the consulate and Margaret Cornell, who was in Crowley's employ, were indicted by the grand jury on two counts here yesterday. Each of the first charges a conspiracy to interfere with and destroy commerce between the several states of the Union and the United States and foreign countries. The second count charges the use of United States mails to incite arson, assassination and murder.

City election is going on today. It is very quiet, but the friends of the candidates are working hard to bring out votes. The Star offered bets all day that J. M. Meffert would be elected, but could not obtain any takers.

When you see Alderman Gerig and ex-Alderman Taylor with their heads together, don't accuse them of fixing up a political deal. They are planning to build a church.

We have a complete line of ivory bureau sets, also single pieces. Just the thing for her X-mas present. The Court Pharmacy.

DESIRE MILLIONS  
FOR DEFENSEGreat Sums Needed for Forts  
and GunsINCREASE OF THREE HUNDRED PER CENT THIS YEAR IN THE  
COAST DEFENSE ESTIMATE

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 14.—An increase of 300 per cent over the sum spent last year for big guns, coast fortifications and ordnance included in the general preparedness scheme, is asked for in the fortifications bill for preparedness by the war department. Twenty-three millions are asked.

## PEACE DAY

IS BEING OBSERVED BY THE  
SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL  
CONGRESS

(Associated Press)

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 14.—Today was set apart as "Peace Day" at the Southern Commercial Congress. The program outlined for the day indicated the speakers would compare the advantages enjoyed by the western hemisphere over warring Europe. A representative of the league to enforce peace is to have charge of the night session.

BECOMING A GENUINE  
LUMBER BARONGeorge Rentz Aspiring Timber Interests in All Parts of  
the State

Mr. George Rentz has been absent from the city, with the exception of a day or two, for the past month. He has been all over the state in that time, from Miami to Jacksonville and extreme West Florida and a great many intervening points. Among other things he has accomplished is the opening of a big selling office for his lumber output in Miami, with Mr. W. J. Frink, formerly of this city, in charge. Mr. Frink is an experienced lumber man and was in charge of the big mill at Levon before it was closed down.

Mr. Rentz purchased the timber rights on lands in West Florida sufficient to supply his mill for the next 20 years, having been fortunate enough to secure one of the finest bodies of timber in the entire state.

He purchased one of the very largest sawmills in Jacksonville and will haul his lumber via rail to this mill. Then (and this is not such good news to Ocala) Mr. Rentz will shortly close down the big mill at Fort McCoy, the only large mill in this part of the state that has been running right along since the war commenced, and the drop in lumber that closed down so many mills and "busted" so many others over the state.

Mr. Rentz will, after the close of school, move his family to Jacksonville, but will retain his home here, and at some future date expects to return to Ocala. In the meantime he will have a good deal of interests hereabouts and will be a frequent visitor to the city.

A Star reporter only got a word in endwise with Mr. Rentz and obtained the above facts in brief, without time to get any of the details.

Butter Nut Bread has the right taste; None of it ever goes to waste. It is so pure, wholesome and good; For health it's the very best food. Carter's Bakery.

COUGHS AND COLDS  
ARE DANGEROUS

Few of us realize the danger of coughs and colds. We consider them common and harmless ailments. However statistics tell us every thing person died of a lung ailment. Dangerous bronchial and lung diseases follow a neglected cold. As your body struggles against cold germs, no better aid can be had than Dr. King's New Discovery. Its merit has been tested by old and young. In use over 45 years. Get a bottle today. Avoid the risk of serious lung ailments. At druggists.

## IT WILL NOT DOWN

QUESTION OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE  
AGAIN EXCITES THE NA-  
TIONAL CAPITAL

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 14.—While the House was the Mecca for leaders of the movement for and against woman suffrage today, President Wilson received a delegation of 200 from the league opposed to permitting the vote to be extended to women. He listened to their arguments without comment. It is expected that he will meet the suffragette advocates later today.

## SPINNING THE STAPLE

ACTIVITY IS GREAT IN THE  
MANUFACTURE OF COTTON  
GOODS

(Associated Press)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—Activity in cotton spinning throughout the country was greater during November than for some time. Census bureau reports just issued showed there were a million more spindles in operation this year than during November of last year. More than a hundred thousand more bales of cotton were used than for the same month last year.

Any two people in the Munroe & Chambliss National Bank, who "beat the others to it," will be treated free to bottled Coca-Cola at our expense by calling on Mr. Dewey's Merchants' Cafe. The Ocala Coca-Cola Bottling Works.

A box of CRANE'S LINEN LAWN writing paper would make a splendid Christmas present. Get it at the Court Pharmacy.

What YOU would like for a Christmas present is what you should GIVE. You can find it at The Court Pharmacy.

REALTY  
BARGAINS

are numerous just now. Some of the best farm properties in Marion County for example, can be bought for less than the cost of improvements.

As the days go by these properties will be sold, or will be held for higher prices.

Only extraordinary conditions put these properties on the market.

The conditions are rapidly changing.

You should buy now, if you wish to make a good investment.

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State Supt.The Children's Home Society  
OF FLORIDA  
"Florida's Greatest Charity"

This society has provided for during the year just closing over Eight Hundred Orphan Children of Florida. These helpless, homeless and friendless little ones have been cared for just as lovingly and with every attention that they would have in their own homes, and most of them have been placed in permanent homes of their own with their foster parents.

To carry on this great work, which the Star considers one of the most noble works of the state, has cost a great deal of money and the society is short several thousand dollars. The society is very anxious to close the year out of debt.

Won't you send some money to the treasurer—whatever you can spare, from 25 cents up? Won't you do it now? Better still, won't you write the society and tell it that you will pay so much a year, payable quarterly, and send the first quarterly payment with your letter?

One of the handsome little books, issued each year, containing a full report of the society's accomplishments will be mailed you if you write for it.

You who have of this world's goods, send a small portion of it to those who have not. This space is not paid for by the society. It is a part of the Star's aid to this noble work.

Send all remittances to

R. V. Covington, Treas.  
361 St. James Bldg. Jacksonville, Fla.